

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 016985
ORIGIN EA-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 HA-05 L-03 SS-15 AGRE-00 AID-05
TRSE-00 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PA-01 IGA-02
USIA-06 PRS-01 IO-13 /071 R

DRAFTED BY EA/K:MR. MISCH/MR. BLAKEMORE:AP
APPROVED BY EA:WHGLEYSTEN
HA - MR. HILL
L/EA - SORLINS
D - SOXMAN (SUBS)
EA/RA:FBENNETT (SUBS)
EA/EP - MR. MCCONILLE (SUBS)
USDA - MR. BUILLEAN (SUBS)

-----096392 210457Z /13

P 210008Z JAN 78
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY SEOUL PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 016985

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, KS, US

SUBJECT: PL 480 AMENDMENT RELATING TO BASIC HUMAN NEEDS

REF: SEOUL 522

1. YOU SHOULD TELL THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER THAT WE
APPRECIATE THE PROBLEMS CAUSED FOR THE ROKG BY CERTAIN
UNFORTUNATE AND INACCURATE PRESS STORIES WHICH HAVE
APPEARED IN THE US, AND WE ARE ENCOURAGED THAT THE ROKG
IS SEEKING A PROCEDURAL WAY TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM.

2. YOU SHOULD ALSO TELL NAM THAT WHILE THE ROKG IS OF
COURSE FREE TO SEND US ANY LETTER IT CHOOSES, THE PARTICU-
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 016985

LAR LANGUAGE WHICH YOU AND THE DPM ARE PROPOSING (REFTEL)
WOULD PUT US IN AN AWKWARD POSITION WERE WE ASKED TO
APPROVE IT IN ADVANCE. WE BELIEVE A BETTER SOLUTION TO
THE PROBLEM WOULD BE FOR YOU TO GIVE NAM, IN WRITING,
ASSURANCES ALONG THE LINES OF THOSE CONTAINED IN A LETTER

FROM THE ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO THE INDONESIAN

CHARGE DATED DECEMBER 22. RELEVANT PORTIONS OF THE LETTER ARE QUOTED BELOW.

3. BEGIN QUOTE I CAN STATE AUTHORITATIVELY THAT PRESS

REPORTS ON THIS SUBJECT HAVE BEEN INACCURATE IN SEVERAL RESPECTS, AND IN PARTICULAR WHERE THEY STATE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE CONSIDERS THAT BY SIGNING A PL 480 AGREEMENT WHICH REFLECTS NEW LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS A COUNTRY "ACKNOWLEDGES IN EFFECT THAT IT VIOLATES HUMAN RIGHTS" AND "IS ADMITTING THAT IT VIOLATES HUMAN RIGHTS"

OBSVIOUSLY,IN SIGNING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS CONTAINING LANGUAGE ALONG THE LINES WHICH WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE(KOREAN)GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT BE ACKNOWLEDGING OR ADMITTING VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS. IT IS THE VIEW OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT THAT THE INCLUSION OF THIS LANGUAGE IS DESIGNED SOLELY TO INSURE THAT THE COMMODITIES PROVIDED OR THE PROCEEDS FROM THEIR SALE BENEFIT NEEDY PEOPLE IN ORDER TO OBVIATE ANY POTENTIAL QUESTION AS TO WHETHER THE AGREEMENT COMPLIES WITH LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS. END QUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AMENDMENTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 21 jan 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978STATE016985
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: MR. MISCH/MR. BLAKEMORE:AP
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780032-0175
Format: TEL
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780137/aaaabevb.tel
Line Count: 84
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 240c25e1-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ORIGIN EA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 78 SEOUL 522
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 23 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3734749
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: PL 480 AMENDMENT RELATING TO BASIC HUMAN NEEDS
TAGS: EAID, KS, US
To: SEOUL
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/240c25e1-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014